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Mexican Wolf Lethally Removed From the Wild

On Wednesday, May 20, 2015, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) made the decision to lethally remove M1130, a male Mexican wolf, from the wild in Catron County, New Mexico.

M1130 was exhibiting escalating nuisance behavior including increasing activity near residents and neighborhoods in Catron County. As a result the Mexican Wolf Interagency Field Team (IFT) was given permission to try and remove him from the wild. Authorized capture methods included trapping, darting, and lethal take. The IFT had several traps set and made several attempts to dart the animal, however, these efforts were unsuccessful and ultimately the IFT implemented lethal take.

The IFT acted properly and professionally throughout this action. Their rapid response to this problem helped prevent any potential public safety issues. Additional information related to the removal of M1130 is available at <http://www.fws.gov/southwest/es/mexicanwolf/>.

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